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For: KEYBOARD HAVING A TRACK
BALL MECHANISM AND A
SCROLL MECHANISM

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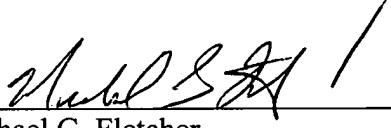
RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Election Requirement mailed on November 5, 2002, Applicants respond as follows. The Examiner asserted that the present application currently contains claims directed to various embodiments or species disclosed in the drawings. The Examiner has recognized that independent claim 23 is generic to the disclosed embodiments or species, and Applicants respectfully submit that independent claim 1 is also generic to the disclosed embodiments or species. Indeed, a further review of the claims and of the disclosed embodiments or species reveals that dependent claims 2, 3, 4, 21, 22, 24, 25, and 26 are also generic to the disclosed embodiments or species. Accordingly, with these generic claims in mind, Applicants elect to prosecute these generic claims along with claims directed to the embodiment or species illustrated in Fig. 3, which includes claims 5, 6, 15, 27, 28, 37, 43, and 45. In summary, Applicants elect to prosecute claims 2-6, 15, 21, 22, 24-28, 37, 43, and 45.

If the Examiner believes that a telephonic interview will help speed this application toward issuance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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